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## Inaugural Meeting of the Inter-Ministerial Committee for Environmental Coordination (CEC)

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The National Environmental Protection Agency (NEPA) will hold the first meeting of the Inter - Ministerial Committee for Environmental Coordination (CEC) on 20th May 2007 in Kabul. The Inter- Ministerial Committee for Environmental Coordination was established through Presidential Decree No. 4052 in January 2007 with reference to the specific requirement spelled out in Afghanistan's Environment Law. The CEC is aimed to gather relevant stakeholders in order to start integrating environmental considerations into the respective ministries' work plans, coordinate existing and new activities in the environment sector and share relevant information on sustainable approaches in one forum.

The first meeting of the Committee for Environmental Coordination will be chaired by the Director General of NEPA, H.E. Mostapha Zaher, and will be attended by representatives of ministries and dignitaries from the Afghan Parliament (both Upper House and Lower House). The meeting will be held in two sessions: the first session will focus on policy commitments by the leadership and second session will focus on the drafted Terms of References and work plan for the Committee.

The meeting will be held from 9.00 - 16.00h at the Intercontinental Hotel in Kabul, representatives of the press are welcome.

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